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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of | |) |
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| | Devin Leake, et al. |) |
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| Serial No.: | 10/551,350 |) Art Unit |
| | |) 1635 |
| Filed: | October 19, 2006 |) |
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| Title: | MODIFIED POLYNUCLEOTIDES FOR |) |
| | USE IN RNA INTERFERENCE |) |
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| Customer No.: | 022913 |) |
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| Examiner: | Amy Hudson Bowman |) |

AMENDMENT “A” AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Office action mailed September 8, 2008 (paper no. 20080903), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.